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Bethel Appropriations Up \$9,000 As Construction Is Approved; 1 New Official

Over 150 citizens were present at the adjourned Bethel town meeting when several articles of importance were presented and the usual interest. The expenditures of \$83,693.89, besides State and County taxes, was authorized in a two hour session, an increase of \$9,050.88 over the 1946 appropriation.

School affairs, which account for about half the town money, went over the half way mark when the construction of an addition to the Primary School building was approved, with more land added to the grounds. Total school appropriations are \$45,973.75.

Superintendent Christie told of present crowded conditions which will continue for some years, and stated that the 42 pupils from other towns are not the cause as these are mostly in the sixth and eighth grades. It was voted that the Selectmen and School Committee appoint a building committee to have charge of the Primary School addition, which will be assessed this year.

Pay of the town officers was fixed at the same rate as last year. Selectmen, \$6.00 per day; Road Commissioner, \$7.00 per day; Clerk \$75.00 per year; Treasurer, \$300.00 per year; Collector 1 1/2% and 15 cents for each excise tax receipt issued.

The citizens present agreed that the town should house its road equipment and voted to pay up to \$500 for land upon which to build a building. As suggested by the budget committee, \$4,000 was voted for the building \$2,000 of which comes in 1947 taxes.

The town road account was allowed \$3,400 this year, and \$600 was earmarked for improving the old road between the railroad crossings just east of West Bethel—making \$4,000 like last year's appropriation.

The minor roads money was upped \$500 from last year to \$3,500. In spite of additional receipts amounting to \$6,833.51, according to the printed report, these accounts were overdrawn \$4,964.32 last year.

Five articles were passed over, three relating to buying or building a home for the Superintendent of Schools, Elmer Bennett of the School Committee explained the proposition, whereby the rental of the building would take care of the town's investment.

Superintendent Christie told of his difficulties in finding a residence which is now only temporarily solved.

The question was passed over quite decisively, the result being registered by a standing vote of those for and against. They also passed over the article regarding reimbursement of the town treasury for snow plowing equipment purchased and the article on the report of the West Bethel sewer committee.

The Selectmen were given authority to sell the Middle Intervale school house at a fair price, but it was decided to keep the town farm. The Howe Hill road between the Rabbit Road and the Greenwood town line and the Kimball Hill road above George Haines' farm were discontinued, both subject to gates and bars. It was voted to have street lights installed at Skillington.

Total appropriations were \$250 under the budget committee's recommendations, the saving being on the amount raised for land at the Primary School.

Town meeting attendance was at the highest point for several years and the 230 ballots cast during the afternoon apparently is the high point since the printed ballot was adopted.

All officers were re-elected, the only contested re-election being that of Bert Brown, who received 174 ballots while his opponent, Clarence Kimball, got 51. With no name printed on the ballot for a successor to Elmer Bennett on the Superintending School Committee, Stanley Brown received 44 votes and was elected. Eleven other names were written on the balance of the ballots which included several spoiled ballots.

The Moderator was authorized to appoint a Budget Committee and he has named the following: Guy Hartlett, D. Grover Brooks, Carl L. Brown, Philip Chubbourn, Free-land W. Clark, E. James Cro-land, Richard L. Davis, Robert D. Hastings, Harry N. Head, Burton L. Newton, Addison C. Saunders and Hugh D. Thurston.

Officers Elected:
Moderator—Corry Brooks
Selectmen—Ernest F. Blaboe, Carroll E. Abbott, James C. Bartlett, Clerk—Alice Brooks (25th year)
Treasurer—John H. Harrington
Collector—Walter E. Bartlett
Road Comm.—E. P. Brown
School Comm.—Stanley L. Brown

Appropriations:
Common Schools \$17,000.00
Secondary Schools 10,500.00
Textbooks and Library 700.00
Supplies 400.00
Repairs 700.00
Insurance on School buildings 198.75
School Physician 250.00
Superintendence and office expense 1,125.00
Primary School addition 5,000.00
Additional land 250.00
School Nurse 100.00
Roads & Bridges 3,400.00
Winter Roads 3,500.00
Improve road near W. Bethel 600.00
Unimproved road surfacing 2,000.00
State Aid road const. 1,085.00
State Aid road maint. 1,612.10
Third Class Road maint. 1,425.00
Snow plow removal 500.00
Lot for storage building 500.00
Building 2,000.00
Advertising Town of Bethel 225.00
State of Maine Publicity Bu. 100.00
Maintenance of Sewers 250.00
Support of Poor 2,500.00
Town Officers 4,700.00
Abatement 136.01
Bethel Library Association 600.00
Memorial Day observance 60.00
Treasurer's Bond 35.00
Collector's Bond 20.00
Care of Cemeteries 25.00
Miscellaneous town charges 2,600.00
Interest on temporary loans 300.00
Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance 225.00
Maintenance and construction of Sidewalks 800.00
Street Lighting 258.80
\$63,693.89

ITINERANT SERVICE DISCONTINUED
Because the volume of contacts does not justify the continuance of itinerant service maintained at So-letmen's Office, Bethel, Maine, it is necessary to discontinue this service effective March 11, 1947.

It is stressed that the discontinuance of this service is not intended to deprive veterans and others in that territory of adequate service since the Rumford Contact Office, 91 Congress St., will always be ready and willing to aid them when called upon to do so.

The thanks of this office is expressed to all those who so handsomely cooperated in establishing and continuing our service at Bethel.

FREDERICK W. SKINNER
Officer in Charge
Veterans Administration
Contact Office, Rumford, Me.

GOULD ACADEMY NOTES
Gould's four "quilt kids" who participated in the recent broadcast over Portland Station WPOP have been invited to return for a second visit on Sunday, April 14, to contest a school as yet unnamed. The broadcast occurs at three p.m. on that date. Those taking part will be Janice Bowman, Dick Little, Ruth Judkins and Charles Smith.

A lively and interesting dormitory party is being arranged by various committees of Holden Hall boys for the girls of Gehring Hall for a Saturday evening, March 15.

A special feature article occupies at least a half page in the magazine section of the Sunday, March 16, issue of the Portland Telegram, prepared by Mr. Foster and Mr. Thompson, will give prominence to the work of the Gould Camera Club. Seven outstanding pictures will be reproduced from the work of the club for the past two years.

MSGT. ERNEST GROVER WITH AAF IN EUROPE
Master Sergeant Ernest R. Grover of Bethel, Maine, is serving overseas in the Traffic Control Branch, Provost Marshal Section of the European Material Command.

Sergeant Grover receives and analyzes reports of traffic accidents throughout the far-flung units of the Army Air Forces' European Service and supply arm, Sergeant Grover has availed himself of army sponsored tours to Berchtesgaden, Bavarian Alps hideout of Adolf Hitler.

Sergeant Grover's mother is Mrs. Ella A. Grover, who lives on Rt. 2, Bethel. He is a 1943 graduate of Gould Academy, where he majored in mathematics, English and musical arts.

WSES PLANS SILVER TEA
The WSES met last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Norman Hall. Devotions were conducted by Mrs. Leola Lapham. It was voted to pay for luncheon for Sunday School table tops, to have a room papered at the parsonage, and to order bread and bias tape to be sold by the society. Mrs. Earl Davis is chairman of a committee to clean the church this month, to be assisted by volunteers.

Plans were made to hold a silver tea for the benefit of the Red Cross March 20. Committees were named as follows: tea, Mrs. Clayton Fossett, Mrs. Harry Jordan, Mrs. Earl Davis, Mrs. Silas Dyke; program, Mrs. Greenleaf, Mrs. Norman Hall. Work on handkerchiefs and neckwear for the sale will be carried on during March and April. A program was presented. The next meeting will be held April 3 at the home of Mrs. Leola Lapham. Mrs. Irvin French will lead the devotions and Mrs. Sidney Dyke will have charge of the program.

GOULD LOSES CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH 36-33

Gould Academy dropped the State Championship game to Patten Academy last Saturday in the Lewiston Armory by a 36-33 score. The "Huskie" simply didn't have the stuff to stay off a Patten rally in the final period. Captain Wayne Allen and Jack Libby were brilliant in defeat as they played their last game for Gould Academy. Gould lost 16 points and the fine play of McCourt and Wilson that carried them to victory. Wilson, high scoring center was held to 4 points by Louis Wood but the Gould offense was not up to par and could not quite match the Patten scoring.

Allen (33)	5	2	12
Libby, c	4	2	10
Davis, c	1	2	4
Young, c	0	0	0
Foster, lg	0	0	0
Parsons, lg	1	0	2
Wood, rg	2	1	5
Patten (36)	13	7	33
Hart, rf	3	1	7
Rossignol, rf	6	4	16
Davis, c	0	0	0
Wilson, c	2	1	5
McCourt	3	1	7
Townsend, rg	0	1	1
Gould	14	8	36
Patten	10	14	24
Referees: Petro and Bodnar			
Time—4 eighths			

GOULD ACADEMY ANNOUNCES FOURTH PERIOD HONOR ROLL

SENIORS — Honors: Harlan Blake, Robert Judkins, 2, Mary Hunter, 2, Sally Stowell, 4, Certified: Carrie Angeline, 3, Nancy Barnard, 4, Janice Bowman, 4, Marilyn Boyker, 4, Joyce Chipman, 1, Mary Christie, 4, Lawrence Clement, 4, Margaret Davis, 4, Randall Foster, 4, Roberta Gibson, 4, Mary Perkins, 3, Sterling Pierce, 3, Barbara Stearns, 4, Myra Stickney, 4, Frances Vinton, 4, Donald Walker, 4, Martha Waterhouse, 1.

JUNIORS — Honors: Sally Adams, 4, Martha Crocker, 1, Ruth Judkins, 4, Mary Kendall, 1, Lawrence Kimball, 4, Gertrude Penner, 4, Louis Wood, 1, Certified: Margaret Bean, 4, Grace Lanfear, 4, Norma Bean, 4, Nova Mundi, 4, William O'Brien, 4, Mark Rines, 3, Edwin Swain, 1, Harry Swan, 4, George Terry, 4, Evelyn Vinton, 3.

SOPHOMORES — Honors: Guy Emery, 4, Richard Ireland, 2, Certified: Marilyn Adams, 4, Ruth Lippus, 4, Gail Curtis, 4, Eleanor Turner, 4, Edward Hickox, 3, Richard Little, 2.

FRESHMEN — Honors: Mary Cross, 2, Marilyn Judkins, 4, Roland Kneeland, 4, Merle Noyes, 3, Carolyn Olson, 1, Charles Smith, 4, Doris Wernemehuk, 4, Certified: Marlene Anderson, 4, Laura Bennett, 1, Roberta Buck, 3, Fannie Buckman, 4, Margaret Colton, 4, Lila Maxim, 3, Linwood Newell, 3, Burton Rolfe, 4, Barbara Swan, 4, Howard Waterman, 2, Anne Waterman, 2.

ELEANOR GORDON GUILD

The Eleanor Gordon Guild met Wednesday, March 12, at the Church, Mrs. Clayton Blake and Mrs. James Brown as hostesses. Virginia Keniston will lead the devotions. She spoke on her Social Service Work.

Games were enjoyed. The next meeting will be held at the church, March 26, with Mary Angeline and Betty Blake as hostesses. Virginia Keniston will lead the devotions.

DEP. COMM. WILLIAM BAILEY TO ADDRESS BETHEL PTA

At the regular meeting of the Bethel Parent Teacher Association next Tuesday evening, William O. Bailey, Deputy Commissioner of Education, of Augusta, will speak on Planning Your School Building. Hostesses will be Mrs. Addison Saunders, Mrs. E. O. Donahue, Mary Saunders, Mrs. E. O. Donahue, Mrs. Jack Nary, Mrs. Richmond Rodick, Mrs. Wilbur Myers and Mrs. Glenn Murphy. Refreshments will be served. A large attendance is desired as the speaker's subject is of interest to all.

MRS. FLORA KIERSTEAD

Mrs. Flora Kierstead died at the DeAngelo Nursing Home, Lewiston, Sunday morning. She had been in poor health for several years. Mrs. Kierstead was born in Rumford June 23, 1880, the daughter of Louville and Frances (Twinn) Webster. She had been a resident of Bethel the greater part of the time for the past 20 years.

She is survived by three cousins, Louis A. Webster of Blackstone, Mass., Mrs. Alvin Carver of Buckfield, and Miss Hilda Libby of Turner Center.

MRS. ELIZABETH REEMTS

Mrs. Elizabeth Reemts of Bryant Pond died Friday evening after a lingering illness.

She was born in Rumford May 29, 1870, the daughter of Alvin and Mary Small Loveloy. Her husband, Robert R. Reemts died a year and a half ago. She had been living with her grandson, J. Bradley Stevens.

She is survived by two sons, Joseph Stevens of Greenville, Mass., and Harry Stevens of South Bethel, as well as a sister, Mrs. Harold Gammon of West Paris, and a brother, Charles Laveley of South Portland.

GUILD TO SPONSOR EASTER SEAL SALE

Again this year the Guild of the Congregational Church will sponsor the sale of Easter Seals to promote the work of the Pine Tree Society for Crippled Children.

The response last year was most generous and made possible the improvements and excellent equipment at the summer camp which benefited the children so much. Headquarters of the Society have been moved to 19 Cumberland St., Brunswick, to a modern building built by the government in 1943. There is plenty of room for not only office space, but also for the newly planned curative work shop, with physical and occupational therapy. This work shop, the first of its kind in Maine, will be operated as an out patient service under the direction of the Pine Tree Society for Crippled Children and its medical advisory committee. The appeals will be in the mail in a few days and it is hoped the response will be generous and the work of this fine organization encouraged.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL TO HAVE TWO ONE-ACT PLAYS MAR. 20

The casts of characters for the two one-act plays are as follows:

WITH THE SHOW
Seventh Grade
Jo-Jo
Dan
Fritz
Sarah
Maybelle
Agnes
Oscar
Dolores
Allice
Ethel
Marie
Janice Lord
Eugene Brown

ARE WE DRESSING?
Eighth Grade
Homer Andrews, the father
Robert Tiff
Dorothy Andrews, the mother
Dorothy Andrews, the son
Polly Andrews, the daughter
Foggy Champlain
Gregg Millard, son of the town's wealthiest citizen
Addison Saunders
Joan Millard, his sister
Alberta Olson
Ivan Konrad, a business man
Feliccia, the Andrew's maid
Nancy Andrews
Musical Selections by the Glee Club
Dancing will follow.

LIONS CLUB

The Lions Club meeting at Bethel on Monday was very well attended and all enjoyed a talk by Richmond Rodick, Guild Academy on Physical Education which included a demonstration on this subject.

Next meeting is expected to be held at The Gateway House as a Ladies' Night, on March 24th.



BYRON PRICE

Mr. Byron Price, U. S. Director of Censorship during the war and later vice-president of the Mollan Future Association of America, has been appointed Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations. He will head the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, succeeding Mr. John B. Hutson, who recently resigned his post.

Offers \$10,000



NEW YORK — Wanna get rich quick? Well here is your chance — and you have to do to win this \$10,000 is to prove actual communication with the dead. And the offer is made by Dr. Gerald Wondt, above, editor of Science Illustrated. The noted scientist revealed that the American public pays over \$20,000 annually to take mystics.

AMERICAN LEGION BIRTHDAY PARTY

The Birthday Party of the American Legion was observed Tuesday evening at the Legion Home with sixty-five enjoying supper. A beautiful birthday cake made and decorated by Mrs. Wallace Clark, was presented. Wilfred Baker, Commander, and Mrs. Mary Moore, President of the Auxiliary, presided. Following supper, both the Legion and Auxiliary held regular meetings.

Past Presidents' Night was observed at the Auxiliary meeting, the following Past Presidents' filling the chairs.

Past Pres., Alta Meserve; 1st Vice-Pres., Jane Van; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mabel O'Brien; Sec., Frances Bennett; Treas., John Forbes; Chaplain, Carl French; Historian, Adeline Dexter; Junior Past Pres., Hilda Donahue; Sergeant-at-Arms, Selma Chapman.

There were nineteen members and five guests present. Reports of the sick committee were heard.

Six applications for membership were read and voted on.

It was voted to have the first Beano game Friday evening, March 21.

Refreshment Committee for next meeting are: Margaret Baker, Hilda Donahue and Hortense Chapman.

Mrs. Mary Moore, Mrs. Hilda Donahue and Mrs. Adeline Dexter were appointed as a House Committee to work with a Committee from the Legion.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, March 27, at the Legion Home.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE

Bear River Grange met in regular session, March 3, all officers present.

A communication was read from New England Home for Little Wanderers and it was voted to donate \$2.00.

Under new business, H. W. Boyker was installed a member of the executive committee, by Past Master L. E. Wright.

The Worthy Lecturer gave a report of the Lecturers' Conference. Literary program in charge of members under 30, and others.

Song.
Headings on Washington and Lincoln.
Limerick, Paul and Owen Wright reading, "Washington".

Story.
Reading, On Abraham Lincoln.
Royal Humiliation.
Brother H. W. Boyker spoke about some of the bills before the present Legislature, followed by a poem by L. E. Wright and L. E. Wright.

Sister Carolyn Bean gave an account of her recent trip to Pennsylvania.

The Worthy Lecturer announced next meeting would be "Midnight and Night" each to come dressed for the occasion.

Meeting closed in form with 27 members present.

IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Mrs. E. H. Smith, who has been ill, is slowly improving.

Miss Amy Penner suffered a broken ankle Sunday while skiing.

Mrs. Albert Cotton spent last week with relatives at Mechanic Falls.

Mrs. Ernest Habee spent the week end at South Paris with Mrs. Fred Bailey.

Stanley Davis, student at the U of M, broke his ankle while skiing last week.

Mrs. Ada Halontine of West Paris spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Parker Connor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Seothorne and son Helen spent the week end at Auburn.

Everett Smith of Portland was a guest Wednesday of his mother, Mrs. Edwin Smith.

Mrs. and Mrs. Robert Keniston and daughter Martha were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Keniston at West Paris.

Jack Campans, who is employed with Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Scott at North Conway, N. H., spent Monday at his home.

Patricia Young returned home Sunday from the Maine General Hospital, Portland, where she had been a patient a few days.

Miss Margaret Ames, who is attending Miss Wheelock's School in Boston, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Kimball Ames and family.

The seventh and eighth grades of the grammar school enjoyed a dozing party last Thursday evening at the William Bingham Gymnasium. Miss Helen Varner and Principal Charles Chapman were chaperones. A program was presented and refreshments served.

Mrs. Roscoe Swain was tendered a personal shower by Mrs. Helen Sprague at her home Friday evening. The guest of honor received many gifts and refreshments were served with Mrs. Mafent Muntz assisting the hostess. Those present included: Mrs. Everett Bean, Mrs. Harry York, Mrs. Norman Westcott, Mrs. Marion Palmer, Mrs. Malcolm Muntz, Miss Betty Marchant, Miss Eugenia Hamilton, Miss Abigail, Mrs. Rufus Rice, Mrs. William and Mrs. Swain. Mrs. Olla Evans and Mrs. Paul Sprague were but were unable to attend.

Village Votes for More and Better Street Lighting

Attendance at the annual meeting of Bethel Village Corporation Monday evening was well above the average. But one ballot was required for choice of the officers, except the Assessors. With five candidates listed by the nominating committee, three or four attempts were needed for the decision. The Collector and Fire Engineers were the only re-elected officials.

Dana G. Brooks succeeds his father, D. Grover Brooks, as clerk and treasurer. Warren Bean follows Dr. E. L. Brown on the Park Commission. The doctor has served since 1926. Harry Kuzick will serve the final year of Philip Burns' term as Park Commissioner. None of the Assessors were candidates for another term.

Officers
Moderator—Fred B. Merrill
Clerk & Treasurer—Dana Brooks
Assessors—Henry H. Hastings, Donald S. Brown, Francis E. Noyes
Collector—Walter B. Bartlett
Park Commissioner (3 years)—Warren Bean, (1 year) Harry Kuzick.
Fire Engineers—Lloyd E. Luxton, Dr. E. L. Brown, Fred L. Douglas.

The principal discussion of the evening was on the street lighting system. This Corporation project is under criticism every year, but this year the Assessors had a General Maine engineer inspect the present outfit and make suggestions for improvement. After some explanation by Francis Noyes, it was voted to accept the engineer's suggestions for higher powered lights at an increased cost of \$50. It was also decided to install another light on Elm Street and to enter a 10 year contract for street lights with the power company.

It was voted to continue the arrangement for the Corporation to have the Assessors appoint a Community Room Committee for a year.

An interesting point of the meeting was brought up when Mrs. Mary Philbrick sought an extension of fire protection facilities on Vernon Street on the last article in the warrant. Although the greater part of the Corporation tax of reactions in that section is abated because they do not enjoy the benefits of hydrants and street lights, there is always a desire for improvement. Edgar Cross spoke of the last hydrant on the street, which was nearly useless at a fire years ago, and Mrs. Fletcher Douglass explained that this is connected to a four inch pipe, which is not much good at best. Moderator Merrill suggested that the matter be taken up with the new board of Assessors.

Appropriations

Abatement	\$30.49
Corporation Buildings	290.00
Corporation Dump	350.00
Fire Department	1,400.00
Fire House	500.00
Hydrant rental	1,050.00
Miscellaneous expenses	500.00
Police	300.00
Parks and Skating Rink	620.00
Street Lights	1,950.00
Improved Lighting	350.00
	\$7,512.49

LADIES CLUB COMMITTEES

Members of the Ladies Club enjoyed a covered dish supper last Thursday at the home of Mrs. E. E. Whitney. The following committees were appointed: publicity for the year, Mrs. A. Van Den Kerckhoven, Mrs. Chester Briggs, Mrs. Gayle Foster; rummage sale to be held May 10, Mrs. Dana Philbrook, Miss Frances Hodgdon, Mrs. John Carter, Mrs. Daniel Duffell, Mrs. Clarence Hall, Mrs. A. Van Den Kerckhoven; Summer sale to be held Aug. 7, aille treasurers, Mrs. A. Van Den Kerckhoven, Mrs. Fred L. Edwards, Mrs. W. J. Upson; gifts, Mrs. Dana C. Philbrook, Mrs. Edith Chase, Mrs. Mabel Taler, Mrs. Frances Hodgdon, Mrs. Philip Burns; food mart, Mrs. Henry Royer, Mrs. Henry Royer, Mrs. Mabel Robertson, Mrs. Foster Hester, Mrs. Gladys Gilman, Mrs. and Mrs. L. L. Thurston, Mrs. Raymond Tibbatts, Mrs. Harry Swift, Mrs. Daniel Duffell; aprons, Mrs. E. E. Whitney, Mrs. H. M. Farwell, Mrs. Helen Bean, Mrs. John Carter, Francis Peabody and Mrs. Clarence Hall.

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LEGION HOME
FRIDAY, MARCH 21
7:30-10:30 Refreshments on Sale

'Better Luck Next Year' on Taxes

Experts Needed to Set Impartial Budget Figure

By BAUKHAGE
News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, 1616 Eye Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON.—As the wrangle over the budget taxes and national debt continues, about the only comfort I can offer Mr. Taxpayer of 1947, if he should ask me for it, is a hearty "better luck next year."

And that is no vain hope, either. There is a very good chance that government will cost less next year. This will not be due to any widely heralded "twining the axe," or so-called "economy drives" which congress often promises and seldom delivers. If the budget is proportionally smaller next year, it will be because figures prepared by the Bureau of the Budget will have been checked by congressional fiscal experts who get their jobs on merit and who are obligated to no political party. These men now are being selected by a professional personnel expert loaned from the business world.

At this writing the house and senate are struggling to find a compromise cut in the budget. Until they determine the size of the budget, they can't be sure of what they ought to do about taxes or reducing the national debt.

If it weren't that the budget were compiled by one party and authorized by another, we wouldn't have as much wrangling. Now there is nothing wrong with having plenty of debate on a subject like this, provided one or both sides are voting on the basis of actual facts which are set forth by a disinterested authority whom the public will accept. Such an authority will be provided, we

hope, by the staff of fiscal experts next year.

Without such experts what happens? The house goes on record as to the budget cut it thinks it wants to make. The appropriations committee cuts down the various items. A bill is submitted again to the house and the fight begins, each congressman attempting to restore as much of the appropriation for his pet projects as possible. Log-rolling gets under way and the total is raised.

The same thing happens in the senate where an individual senator's demands are accorded even more weight. Eventually the ante is raised a little more. And if it doesn't get back up to the President's original \$37,500,000,000 estimate (which may have been too high itself) there will be a supplemental bill passed later which will absorb any extra dollars that are lying around.

When Senator Taft was asked by Democratic Senator McMahon (who was attacking the Republican cut) if Taft wanted the senate to pass on the question "without having much information as to what we are doing," Taft frankly replied:

"We can only make an intelligent guess. We have no information before us as to the particular items of the \$37,500,000,000 budget, in justification of the figure fixed by the budget (bureau) . . . we only know what is requested."

That is the keynote: "We only know what is requested."

Why should the opposition party take on faith the administration's figure? We have two parties to check on each other. Taft admits the Republicans haven't the facts now but he adds that in "ordinary" years "we will have a staff working during the recess"—supposedly composed of these neutral experts who now are being hired—"which can give us more intelligent information than we now have."

There's the hope.

Music Is Key to Understanding

Few Russians heard the early state department broadcasts, inaugurated last month, and those who did were critical of the musical selections, objecting to "hillbilly" tunes like "Turkey in the Straw." They complained too about Bing Crosby's singing of Stephen Foster ditties.

This is only one instance where music has segued into world news since the war. I remember visiting the Opera House in Nuernberg when German musicians were first permitted to assemble there. The house had four walls intact and part of the roof, but only part of it. The rest was covered with canvas which kept out most of the falling snow but didn't keep out the cold. No protest was made of heating the auditorium, and the place was freezing cold. Yet it was packed. The program however could not be completed. This was not due to the fact that the audience walked out—they stood or sat with the snow keeping in on them. The musicians' fingers simply got too cold to function. That was a year ago last November.

Today with the cooperation of the American military government, orchestras have sprung up in every town in the American zone and a large part of the broadcast programs are musical.

Reeducating the German in the field of music will be a less Herculean task than it is in other fields, for music has always been part of the home training of the German child—not merely something for which the music teacher was alone responsible.

I remember a German home I used to visit before World War I in which the short period after the evening meal and the time the youngest went to bed and the eldest went to his other studies was largely a musical hour. The most interested and active member of the group was the father.

Here in America we leave too much of the child's musical training to the schools. As the Hungarian composer Zoltan Kodaly, who is visiting this country, remarked: "Our ears must be trained to perceive the simpler musical phenomena before being able to follow the more complicated forms, and it is obviously the duty of public schools to give this first training to everybody."

Germany of course has another great advantage that America lacks. Goebbels has been removed. America's musical dictator has not. His organization has a standing resolution which reads: "The federation urges its locals to use their political and economic strength to combat the encroachment of high school bands and orchestras."

The dictator I refer to is, of course, one Petzville of the Amer-

ican Federation of Musicians; the resolution is from their constitution which in conferring authority on him uses phrases like this: "It shall be his duty and prerogative—to make decisions in cases where in his opinion an emergency exists;—to issue executive orders which shall be conclusive and binding upon all members—etc."

Such a resolution and such absolute authority runs directly counter to the advice of Kodaly and to the thinking of anyone interested in the cultural development of America or in democracy itself for that matter.

This is one of the many facets of our musical life which touch politics as music touches many of the nation's other activities, past and present.

No, the Russians didn't like the hillbilly American music. And I doubt if the average American could absorb much of the somber and mournful Russian folk dirges although they contain beauty enough to the ear accustomed to hearing them and the mind trained to interpret them.

That must be remembered in considering all cultural relationships to world peace. We must be informed not only about the world as a whole, but specifically about each other. Mature interpersonal understanding implies a knowledge of each other's environment and also the habits, tastes and thinking produced by that environment. Music is a part of everyone's life; an expression as well as an impression. We cannot live peacefully with each other in our homes or on the globe without the establishment of understanding intercommunication. Music, understood, will be part of that necessary intercommunication.

EUROPE IN NEED

Wheat Exports Continue High

WASHINGTON.—Demand for wheat by most European countries will continue at a high level throughout 1948. In the opinion of Rep. Clifford R. Hope of Kansas, chairman of the house agriculture committee.

As basis for his statement, Hope cited the fact that the severe cold wave which has swept Europe this winter has killed most of the winter wheat crop. He also pointed out that the French minister of agriculture, here seeking seed wheat for re-sowing in the spring, was unable to buy enough.

Large quantities of wheat are being exported to meet the minimum food needs. While this program will reduce this country's carryover to

MARSHALL'S RETREAT . . . Far from the madding crowd of Washington, Secy. of State and Mrs. George C. Marshall find sanctuary in this modest home in Pinchurst, N. C. The simple cottage is surrounded by pine, magnolia and dogwood trees.

NEWS REVIEW

Palestine Dispute Flares; Reds Endorse Mandate

PALESTINE: U. S.-British Rift

While diplomatic observers expected no major rift to develop between the U. S. and Britain over the heated exchange on the Palestine question, the outburst pointed up the apparent cross-purposes at which the two allies were working in the strategic Middle Eastern region with its oil-laden lands.

Foreign Minister Bevin's charge that President Truman had disrupted delicate British negotiations for settling the Palestine issue by demanding admission of 100,000 Jews into the Holy Land before the 1948 congressional elections to get votes was immediately denied by the White House. In a prompt reply, it was said that Mr. Truman's declaration merely reaffirmed the U. S. position on Palestine taken in the summer of 1945.

Republican senators were quick to rise to the President's defense. Brewster (Rep., Me.) said that Bevin was trying to make Mr. Truman the "sacrificial" goat for Britain's failure to work out an equitable agreement between Jews and Arabs, and Taft (Rep., O.) pointed out that Bevin had conveniently dropped his proposal for partition of the Holy Land in the face of stiff Arab opposition.

U. N.

U. S.-Red Harmony

Suspension of Russian opposition to a U. S. trusteeship over former Japanese mandated islands in the Pacific virtually assured U. N. approval of the American proposal to hold on to the territories for security reasons.

Earlier the Russians had threatened to force this country into taking unilateral action on the islands by demanding that the trusteeship question be postponed until formulation of a Japanese peace treaty. While



'GRIN AND BEAR IT' . . . This 13-month-old baby girl, abandoned in a hallway, learns to take the rough spots in life early at New York Foundling hospital.

Britain and Australia had joined in the Soviet opposition, it was considered that it would be comparatively easy to adjust differences with them.

In making their about-face, the Russians proclaimed that the U. S. was entitled to the trusteeships because it had made incomparably greater sacrifices than the other Allied countries in wresting them from Japanese control. Under the U. S. proposal, the islands would be held open for U. N. inspection, except for strategic military installations that may be closed for security purposes.

AUSTRIA: Allies Clash

Indifference of the problems facing the Big Four in Moscow when their conference gets underway shortly, their deputy foreign ministers laying the groundwork for discussion of German and Austrian treaties agreed only half-way on an Austrian pact. Out of 62 clauses, agreement was reached on 32.

Major differences included: U. S. and Russian disagreement over what constitutes Nazi assets in Austria. The U. S. contends that the Russians have removed important Austrian property as reparations on the grounds that they were Nazi property, seriously impairing the country's economy.

Russian support of Yugoslav claims to the richest and most densely populated provinces of Carinthia and Styria. The U. S., Britain and France object, declaring Austria's prewar boundaries should remain intact.

French insistence upon rigid control of scientific research. The U. S. argues that such supervision would hamper the economic redevelopment of Austria, leading to employment and trade difficulties.

In Washington, Secretary of State Marshall disclosed that John Foster Dulles, Republican adviser on foreign affairs, would accompany him to the Moscow conference. In all, the U. S. delegation will include 84 members.

TRADE: Modify Program

Seeking to soften Republican opposition to the administration's foreign trade program, President Truman issued an order sharply modifying reciprocal trade agreements.

Acting after consultations with Republican Senators Vandenberg (Mich.) and Millikin (Colo.), Mr. Truman directed that hereafter reciprocal agreements contain escape clauses permitting the President to modify or eliminate low tariff concessions that jeopardize an American industry.

Agreements also will embody a "most favored nation" clause, giving the U. S. the same trade advantages afforded other countries. At present, some states have agreements with others which tend to discriminate against American trade.

INTERRUPTION

The hillbilly was asleep on the porch. His son shook him vigorously.

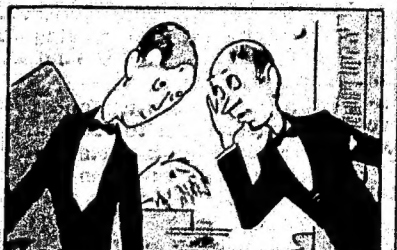
"Dinner's ready, paw," he announced.

The mountaineer opened a sleepy eye. "What are you talkin' about?" he drawled. "Didn't I just eat a while ago?"

"Sure, paw," nodded the boy. But that was breakfast. This time it's dinner."

The weary hillbilly arose. "Dog-gone," he grumbled, "if it ain't one thing it's another."

LESS VOLUME



Mrs. Moneybags was giving a lavish party and the featured entertainer was a well-known radio singer. The singer had sung several songs and Mrs. Moneybags called her new butler and told him to ask the crooner to please sing "Sweet and Low."

The new butler hurried over and whispered: "The Madam wishes you to stop singing so loud."

Imaginary Menu

The young wife greeted her husband affectionately when he returned from the office.

"Poor darling!" she said. "You must be tired and hungry. Would you like some nice soup, followed by nice tender chops with golden-brown potatoes and green peas, and then mushrooms on toast?"

"No, darling," her husband answered firmly, "let's save the money and eat at home."

The Real Loss

Quite a crowd was sitting in the doctor's office. It was long past his scheduled time of arrival.

"Dear me," said the nurse, "I do hope he hasn't had an accident! The storm is so bad and the roads are so icy!"

"I sure hope not, too," yawned one of the patients. "It would mean wasted carfare for me, not to mention the time I've lost sitting here!"

A Dead Beat

The administrator of the estate of Charles Butterworth received his communication addressed to the late comedian:

"Dear Mr. Butterworth: Your check has been returned to us by the bank marked 'deceased.' We are sure that this is due to an oversight on your part and hope that you will rectify it at your earliest convenience."

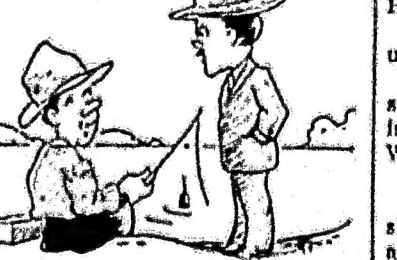
Early Follies

Two sweet young things were discussing affairs of the heart.

"So you've accepted Tom?" said one acidly. "I suppose he didn't happen to mention that he had previously proposed to me?"

"Well, not exactly," replied the other blandly; "but he did confess that he'd done a lot of silly things before he met me."

NO USE TRYING



Stranger—Is this lake private property?

Native—Yes.

Stranger—Would it be a crime if I caught a fish?

Native—Naw, it'd be a miracle!

Sick Again

"Look here, Boss," said a colored patron of an Alabama market, "dat ham you sold me last night was spoiled."

"Impossible," said the butcher, "it was cured in the best way."

"Well, boss, if dat ham was cured, it sho' had a powerful relapse."

Letting Him Off Easy

Walter—Would you mind settling your bill, sir? We're closing now.

Irate Patron—But, hang it all, I haven't even been served yet.

Walter—Ah, well, in that case there'll only be the cover charge.

That's Telling Him!

Angry neighbor—Did you reprimand your son for mimicking me?

Mother—I certainly did. I told him to stop acting like a fool.

Watch Stopper

"Did your watch stop when it hit the floor?" asked the jeweler.

"Sure did," replied the customer. "Did you think it would go right on through?"

A Handy Gag

"Why do all radio announcers have small hands?"

"Why do they?"

"Wee paws for station identification."



Elmer Twitchell Dodges Southern Cows and Pigs

Dear Folks:

Well, I have just made one of them trips South through Georgia and Florida by auto and the cows are ahead on points although I am still holding the pigs even. I never knew there was so many cows and pigs loose on highways before in the whole U. S. A. Them Georgia cattle are the skinniest I ever seen and now I know why. They keep thinking there is grass in macadam, cement and asphalt. And a cow born and raised in Florida evidently has been sold on the idea there is nourishment in them white lines that mark the middle of through roads.

Georgia and Florida cows are the only kind that have to be taken into a service station every few weeks to have the dents taken out of them.

They are a breed known as Back-into cattle. They will back into anything. You get the breed by crossing a very calm cow with an extra dumb jackass. All cows is oblivious to traffic more or less, but a Georgia cow won't even look up at a Mack truck. It operates on a queer basis. When a car comes along it places itself in front of it, waits for the shriek of hot brakes and then answers with a low "Nuh-hits to Yoo-oo-oo!" moan.

The pig is a Georgia and Florida road problem, too. There are big sows there that have bumped into cars so often they have developed collision resistance. I saw one hog with the license plates of four states engraved on its right side. These hogs have learned to "give" when hit, and there is just a queer "stump!" sound and a slight jolt like you had hit a balloon.

On the few southern roads little pigs dash out on the express highways every few feet, too. Starting young like this they develop high speed and by the time they are a year old they are either dead or else on the market for dog races.

So if you know anybody setting out for the South by auto, warn him about the animal life and tell him to drive slow passing farm stock, and always hold out his hand so a hog or heifer will know what he is going to do.

Yours, Elmer.

SHORT STORY

Popper's spending
Days in bed:
He tried to coast on
Junior's sled.

The Atomic Subway Train

"(Dr. D. H. Andrews of Johns Hopkins says there will be atomic subway trains running from coast to coast inside of an hour some day.)—News Item.)

Scene: A business office in San Francisco.

The Boss—Miss Hostetter! Miss Hostetter?

Office Boy—She ain't in yet. Tied up in the subway, I guess.

Boss—That's the usual alibi! She's supposed to be here at 9 in the morning and here it is 10 minutes past.

Where does that girl live anyhow? Office Boy—The Bronx, N. Y.

Boss—That's the trouble having a stenographer who lives in the Bronx and has to come to work in San Francisco. Yesterday she was 15 minutes late. I've a mind to hire a girl who lives near the office, somewhere like Chicago or Cheyenne. You're always on time. How do you do it?

Office Boy—I only have to travel from Cleveland.

In the British Isles things are so tough that you can sit up hard feeling by singing "There'll Always Be an England."

"Florida Hard Hit by Cold."—Headline.

We hear that this season the Miami papers have frequently resorted to the standing headline, "Yankee Weather Hits South."

RUSSIA TO AMERICA

I can throw rocks
And it's hunky-dory
But a rock from you
Is another story.

CAN YOU REMEMBER

When Pop liked Junior to call him "Governor?"
Herbert talked more and charged less?
Fountain sugar bowls were at your elbow?
And back when a man had to prove he knew a little something about the rules of the road before he could be licensed to drive an auto?

The war must be over. Those girl drum majors are coming back in the photo sections.

LAST LOVER

BY Helen Topping Miller

One silly school girl, who had been in love with Spang Gordon, a young lieutenant, he tells her that her brother, Ric, is seeing a divorcee and she goes to camp to investigate. Ric avoids her but she later sees him with another girl, an older, hardened woman, Captain Mackey, known as "Old Cy-anide," tells her he knew her mother many years ago. She feels she knows him. Spang calls to say good-bye. Later, while riding with Dave Patterson, a family friend secretly in love with her mother, Julia, she is shown from her horse and taken to a hospital. That night Richard returns from the dead to visit Julia.

CHAPTER X

Julia ignored the interruption. "He spent two months trying to find something, some record, some grave—anything that would end our suspense. He went through dozens of hospitals, even the insane places; he even went out with crews of men who were opening graves! It was a nerve-racking experience for him—and not too happy for me, Richard."

"Sorry," he let his gaze fall, let his clasped hands dangle between his knees. "I didn't think you'd be concerned. I thought you'd be relieved to be rid of me."

"Your conscience must have been more acute than we gave you credit for," said his father, scornfully. "If it hadn't been for Julia's obstinacy, I'd have had you declared legally dead long ago."

Richard laughed, a short, difficult bark. "Legally, I am dead. Richard McFarlane no longer exists. Not on any record or roster, at least. I've been Roger Mackey for twenty years now. There was a lot of confusion after the armistice, and I happened to come into possession—accidentally, of course—of a passport and some other papers. It suited me not to be Richard McFarlane any longer. I wanted to start over. I stayed on in Paris for a few years and did pretty well—"

"Gambling, as usual?" This from John I.

Richard's mouth lifted in a condescending, merciless smile. That smile, too, was an aching piece of Julia's remembering.

"I got along," he said, "in various ways. And then things got rather nasty in France—there was all that argument about the debts, Americans weren't popular—so I came back to this country. I didn't know anything to get into—things were a little tough here too, you remember? So I went back to the army. This fellow—this Mackey, whose papers I had—had a commission. I got it renewed, I asked for service in Hawaii and got it. Then last year they sent me back. I'm at Ridley Field now."

Almost Julia cried out. Ric was at Ridley Field. But she caught herself in time, made a little movement toward her father-in-law, begging for silence. He caught the gesture, or perhaps he did not remember, did not connect Ric with any of this. The old forgot easily.

Richard must not know about Ric. All their lives he had built their father up to heroic stature for her children, made him a splendor to admire, but knowing all the while what a false and crumbling foundation she built upon, how dangerous was the structure she raised if a fierce wind blew upon it. But she must not destroy it now.

She must not tear Richard down, offer that ruin to Richard's son. She must not destroy that pictured inheritance of gallantry. Ric was not strong and courageous like Jill. He had all the weaknesses of the McFarlane men; if he had inherited any strength from her it was latent. It had not begun its growth. Now she could not risk giving him a father who had callously abandoned him even before he had learned to speak that father's name.

So she said, rather faintly, "You were at Pearl Harbor, Richard?"

His face changed, twisted. His eyes shifted. "Yes, I was there—at Hickam Field. Now I'm at Ridley. But I've worked for what I've got in the army."

"So," Julia let her breath out, thankful—oh, so terribly thankful that Jill was away! "So you are Roger Mackey now. But why, Richard—why? All this talk, and I still don't understand it. You must not have cared about us at all. You didn't want to see us again, your own father—your own children?"

"I did think about the kids, of course," he said, "and you, too, Dooley. But I hadn't been a very successful husband. You were pretty well fed up with me when I left."

A Three-Way Conversation

"It was nineteen years old!" Julia protested. "I'd loved you and married you, and then I'd been left alone, for weeks at a time—not knowing where you were, even hungry! I had a baby, and then I was going to have another right away—and then it was war, and John I. got that commission for you, because he thought war was what you needed—that it might quiet that restlessness in you—and so you went away. And left me with nothing! Nothing but this shabby old house, this mortgaged land—and no one to turn to! I'd have Patterson

happened to come to Washington, and he found me and sent for John I."

"I gave you money when I had it, Dooley," he said. "And borrowed it back again when the horses were running at Bowley!" she thought bitterly, but she did not say it. She said dully, "You must have been very sick of me. I must have cried too much, been frightened too much, left alone there in that cheap little flat. It was my fault, perhaps. I was too young. I'd always had people to take care of me. I was silly enough for when they married; it was quite a shock when I learned that that wasn't always true. I know I must have failed you in a lot of ways. Richard, I must not have been a strong person then—a strong woman might have changed you. But you failed me, too, Richard. You failed us all!"

"Don't blame yourself, Dooley. The whole thing was a mistake. I merely happened to realize that be-

fore you did. I took the best way out of it, for you and for everybody."

"You took a coward's way out," said his father. "Now—now that you're getting old and life isn't so gay and adventurous as it used to be, I suppose you think you should come back here and find a welcome? Find things exactly as they were before?"

Richard flared. His eyes took on that icy look that Julia remembered.

"I have I said that? Have I asked for anything?"

"Not yet. But you've made no decent excuse or explanation either. You walked out on Julia and left her to struggle alone—"

"Not alone, John I. You've been a rock under my feet, you've been my strength and courage when I faltered!"

"You were all I had, Dooley," he said gently, "you and those kids."

"They're pretty well grown up now, I suppose?" Richard changed the subject with the facile ease that had always been his gift. "How are they?"

"They're very well." She would not tell him anything. Not about Ric, not about Jill's accident, nothing. He had no right to know. He had no rights at all. "Richard is twenty-seven, Jill's twenty-six."

Richard Offers No Solution

"Makes a man feel old. Are they like you, Dooley?" Richard asked.

"They're entirely unlike. But they're both McFarlanes."

"Married, either of them?"

"No, they're not married."

"At least I'm not a grandfather!" he said, smiling thinly. "Well, I'll push along. Due back for reveille tomorrow. Have to drive all night to make it."

"But, Richard, what happens now?" Julia cried. "What are you going to do?"

He faced her, and she felt herself receding, shrinking as she had all ways done when he looked at her with that cold, blue stare.

"What happens now depends on you, Dooley. As for what I'm going to do—so far as I know, nothing!"

"But you can't just come back this way—from the dead!"

"I've never been dead. I came back because suddenly I wanted to see you, hear your voice again. If you mean shall I go back to being Richard McFarlane again, the answer is no. It would be awkward and embarrassing. I'm in the army. There's war going on. Till it's over, I'll concentrate on that."

"Richard, I've had twenty-five

years' of suspense. Surely you can spare me any more."

"If you create suspense for yourself, Dooley, I won't be able to do anything about it. But why create it? I'm assuming that to you I am not your husband any more."

"But you are my husband! Even though you choose to masquerade and wear a false name, though you've ignored me for more than half our lifetimes, though you knew where I was, when one word from you would have ended all this misery of uncertainty for me, you are still the man I was married to, Richard. You're still my children's father. Nothing can change that."

"You can change it if you like, Dooley."

"How can I change it? You mean I can divorce you? How can I divorce a man who doesn't exist? How could I explain it to your children?"

"The kids do complicate things, don't they? They might like me if they knew me. Though perhaps you've already attended to that?"

"I've given them a hero for a father!" Julia flamed.

"You did that for yourself, Dooley, not for me. You're a proud woman, your pride wouldn't let you keep a man in your life unless he was heroic. And you don't want your pretty picture torn to pieces now by a dismal reality. So I'll take myself off. You wouldn't want to shake hands, Father?"

"No, I wouldn't! You make me ashamed that I am also a McFarlane."

Without a word Richard walked out of the house. They heard his car roar off down the drive.

John I. sank into a chair and dropped his head into his hands. Julia went quietly and kissed the thinned spot on the top of his head. She did not speak. David was mourning the unworthiness of Ab-salom, and there were no words to touch the dignity of that grief.

She went numbly, groping for the stair rail, up to her room.

Somewhat, always, she had known! Always, unaware perhaps at times, she had been waiting for this, feeling the pressure of odd, uncertain dread. There was a strange and psychic bond, a vibration that lived on between two people who had been married, and she knew now that that quivering lived on, bridging years and silence, binding her to Richard, even though the bond was bitter. Eventually it had drawn him back to her. She had seen the nostalgia in his eyes, though he had tried to hide it behind his old, cool arrogance.

And now what? What lay ahead? What threatened her, her peace of mind, her pride for her children?

There was Ric. What if Richard found out about Ric, learned where he was, made contact with his son? And then there was Dave. She knew that Dave loved her, with another kind of love, deeper, fiercer—no fire or passion, no young fever, but the lasting love of a man who would cherish a woman forever.

Julia flung herself down on the bed.

"Oh, Dave!" her heart cried out. "Now that it's too late, I do love you! And what am I going to do?"

Jill turned her head on the pillow, eased her body from the cramp of her splinted arm and tapped shoulder.

"Dooley, you look simply ghastly!" she said. "I've never seen black hollows under your eyes before. What's worrying you besides me?"

"Nothing," Julia lied gallantly. "You're enough for one dose. Do I look so pathetic? I must need some vitamins or something. It's miserable to you so much, I guess."

Jill drew the corners of her mouth in. "You're a rotten actress, Dooley. You're corny as heck and transparent as cellophane. When you hurt inside, it shows through like veins and things under a duoscope. Have you and Dave had a fight?"

"Of course not, silly. I haven't seen Dave since that Sunday. And why should we fight?"

"I don't know any good reason, but you are sort of difficult to understand at times, Dooley. You're so unpredictable. I think I know what you're thinking and feeling, and suddenly I discover I'm all lost and don't know you at all."

Julia Fails to Deceive Jill

"I'm a mystery woman! Human enigma. But the fewer feelings we all have now the better off we'll be." Julia was being platitudeous, she knew, and undoubtedly Jill was probing past that evasive defense with her dry, shrewd, young eyes. "We're fighting a lot of people who've done away with feeling."

"And now," said Jill, in a mocking voice, "the gentlemanly ushers will pass among you, and all the ladders will deposit their ballots in the basket, please. And don't vote for yourselves, girls!" she chirped in a bright falsetto. "Dooley, if you won't talk, shut up! Don't insult my intelligence with that stuff!"

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Veterans' SERVICE BUREAU

EDITOR'S NOTE: This newspaper, through special arrangement with the Washington Bureau of Western Newspaper Union at 1616 Eye Street N. W., Washington, D. C., is able to bring to you the weekly column on problems of the veteran and serviceman and his family. Questions may be addressed to the above Bureau and they will be answered in a subsequent column. No replies can be made direct by mail, but only in the column which will appear in this newspaper regularly.

Loan Amendments

Veterans' administration has announced that the 4 per cent gratuity payments made by VA to the credit of veteran borrowers, under terms of the G. I. bill loan provisions, are exempt from federal income tax and, in addition, all interest paid on loans guaranteed or insured under the amended law may be listed as a deduction by the veterans regardless of whether or not part of the interest actually was paid with the gratuity.

As of January 1, a total of more than 50 million dollars in such payments had been made by VA for credit to the loan accounts of about 518,000 veterans. Of this amount, approximately 10 million dollars was disbursed under the original law and 40 million dollars under the amended act now in force.

Through January this year VA had approved, for guarantee or insurance, nearly 640,000 loans to veterans for homes, farms and business purposes. Total principal amount of these loans exceeds \$3,421,000,000 with aggregate government guarantees of \$1,585,000,000. Of the approved loans, 565,000 were for homes, 22,500 for farms and 52,000 for business.

Questions and Answers

Q. I wonder if I am entitled to any pay from the government. I volunteered for service on February 10, 1941, and was discharged July 15, 1941. I was stationed at Joseph T. Robinson camp at Little Rock, Ark., in the 134th Infantry. I was discharged because of my health with an honorable discharge. Am I entitled to anything such as mustering-out pay or terminal leave pay?

A. On the information in your letter, you possibly may be entitled to mustering-out pay but not to terminal leave pay. The latter apparently would depend upon whether or not you had a pre-induction furlough, which you likely did, so you would not have served a minimum of six months. You would be entitled to all benefits of the G. I. bill. Although the original law provided for mustering-out pay only to veterans discharged after December 7, 1941, some changes in regulations have been made. For your mustering-out pay, contact the finance officer of your discharge center or write direct to the Finance Division of the Adjutant General's Office, War Department, Washington 25, D. C.

Q. I am writing to you about some back payments of mine. My husband and I were married on June 13, 1944, and I didn't receive a check until August 11, 1944. Can I get the back time and, if so, to whom shall I write? Can servicemen get their terminal leave bonds cashed soon?

A. If you are referring to allotment checks, first determine whether the money was taken from your husband's check prior to August. If so, write to the Office of Dependency Benefits, U. S. Army, 4200 Goodfellow Blvd., St. Louis 20, Mo. No terminal leave bonds cannot be cashed for five years at present. Several bills are before congress, however, which would provide for payment in cash.

Q. My husband was in the army 16 months and he would like to get a G. I. loan. He was in to see about it last week at a small town bank. Then they wrote they were not interested. How is it that some fellows who did nothing can get a G. I. loan? We have some stock and machinery which would mostly cover the amount he would like to borrow. Can you tell us what is the matter?—Mrs. A. H. C., Beaverdown, Pa.

A. Under the terms of the G. I. law as now in force, loans must first be approved by the bank or other lending agency which makes the loan. You might try another bank or it is possible that you might obtain such a loan from the nearest office of Farmers Home corporation.

Q. Can you tell me whether or not there is a veterans' hospital in Utah?—A. L. B., Echo City, Utah.

A. Yes, there is a 158-bed general medical hospital in Salt Lake City. A new and larger hospital is scheduled for construction there.

Q. I was an employee of the interior department and stationed in Denver when I went into the army. I have received my honorable discharge and want to know what my rights are about getting my old job back. Can you advise me?—J. R. J., Masonville, Colo.

A. If you had a permanent position under civil service and obtained an honorable discharge, you are entitled to your old job back within 30 days after filing an application, or to a position of like seniority, status and pay, if you are still qualified to perform the duties.

Star Dust

STAGE-SCREEN-RADIO

Released by Western Newspaper Union

By VIRGINIA VALE

ROSALIND RUSSELL certainly avoids monotony! In Columbia's "The Guilt of Janet Ames" she wears one costume consisting of 3 3/4 pounds of diamonds and about 2 1/2 pounds of tulle, net and sequins. The diamonds are set in a huge necklace, earrings and a series of bracelets. Quite a change from her "Sister Kenny" costumes, and from those she'll wear in RKO's



ROSALIND RUSSELL

version of the O'Neill play, "Mourning Becomes Electra"; she spent a couple of weeks at Palm Springs resting up preparatory to working in that one, set to go before the cameras just about now.

Danny Kaye's 1947 picture is all set; called, at present, "That's Life," it revolves around the central character of a professor of serious music who becomes involved in an academic analysis of jazz. We hear it'll be Kaye's most elaborate musical so far.

Pat Buttram, comedian of the Saturday Night Roundup, wanted some patchwork quilts for his home, but the prices asked in antique shops appalled him. So he wrote to friends in Alabama who used to make quilts by the dozen, found he could buy them for \$3.50 and got started ordering quilts and couldn't stop. So now the situation's reversed—he's looking for customers for patchwork quilts.

Elzo Plmna, Metropolitan Opera star who has added greatly to his popularity by doing guest shots on the radio, has signed with United Artists for three years. You'll see him in "Caravaggio" before long; after that, in "Roses in Toyland."

Rise Stevens, star of the Sunday "Family Hour," tells this one on herself. One season when she was leaving Prague for an opera tour of Europe, Walter Sorovoy, whom she'd met there, said "Write to me when you have a chance. I'm collecting stamps." Not a line did he get from her, not a stamp. But he must have learned a more romantic approach somewhere—she finally married him!

Jim Backus, best known for his "Robert H. Harkness" role on the Alan Young show, plans a club called "Millionaires Anonymous," says it'll be made up of busy radio stogees whose names don't mean much to the public, but whose weekly incomes pass the four-figure mark. Take Jim's case; besides his Friday night stint with Alan, he's frequently heard with Fibber McGee and Molly, Bob Burns, Jack Carson and Jack Benny.

Five-year-old Marla Anne Northrop appears in Samuel Goldwyn's "The Bishop's Wife." Her mother, a Goldwyn Girl, appeared with Edle Cantor in "Tummy Days" way back in 1931. So Marla Anne has been enrolled as a Goldwyn Girl, class of 1960.

Three years ago Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy broadcast from Mexico City, the first time a major commercial program had originated outside the U. S. Now, on March 16th, they'll do it again. The entire troupe, including Ray Noble's band and singer Anita Gordon, will be on hand for the broadcast.

Professor Quiz (heard now on Saturday evenings) tells the inside story of how he got his first sponsor. Ten years ago the network was trying to sell an elaborate, costly program; since it's good policy to offer an alternate program with the one they're trying to sell, it was decided to offer Professor Quiz as the sacrificial goat. So—the sponsor heard both programs, chose the Professor.

ODDS AND ENDS—Harry James appears in one of the top sequels of "A Miracle Can Happen" with Jimmy Stewart and Henry Fonda. . . . The "Lower Basin Street" series, which was Dinah Shore's springboard to fame, and which a lot of us miss, may return to the air. . . . Major night-time radio shows are seldom carried by more than 180 stations on a "full network," but the ABC "Lam 'n' Abner" series is heard over 265 outlets. . . . Although Bing Crosby and the Andrews Sisters have been making recordings together for five years, they will appear together in a motion picture for the first time in "Road to Rio."

JUST

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Roy Morgan are still South Paris.

Callers at Rawson Mar- Mr and Mrs Dwight Bell, Mr and Mrs Lee family, Locke Mills and Noyes and Mason from

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RITA SALLS TELLS OF HER WORK WITH AFRICAN NATIVES

The following letter was recently received by Mrs. Rita Salls, who is now a missionary nurse in French West Africa. Miss Salls has many friends in this section as she lived in Locke Mills and graduated from Gould Academy and all are interested to learn of her work in the "Dark Continent."

Tsibiri par Maradi
Colonie du Niger
Afrique Occidentale Française
Dec. 13, 1946

Dearest Sisters—
Perhaps I still have time to say "Merry Christmas"—I hope so. I was just thrilled to get your air mail in 12 days, Gladys. Isn't that wonderful!

These have been wonderful days because I have been free to do visitation. The meetings at the Dispensary are what I love the most. Almost every other afternoon I go down with the phonograph and the Word. Martha has so many in-patients, it is like a little village there and the best part is that a good part of these are Buzus who have come down from the desert where there are no missionaries so they have never had a chance to hear the Gospel. The government has not permitted us to go up to them so the Lord has been sending some down to us. The Buzus and the Tuaregs are the most interesting people I have ever seen. As a rule they are very nice looking and the Tuaregs are often light skinned. The Buzus are the slaves of the Tuaregs—not slaves in our sense of the word and yet they do all the work for their Tuareg masters.

We have had some funny things happen lately. Martha and I were at the dispensary. She had been mixing up some medicines and I had been having a service with the in-patients. Then she came out and went in one of the huts, bringing out a bed pan she had given one of the old women who had been too sick to get up when she first came but now is better and doesn't need it any more. The old woman was sitting on a mat there at the door and when she saw her bed pan dis- appearing she let out a wall of protest: "Oh, nurse, please don't take it away! What am I going to do with my food in now?"—Imagine Martha and I nearly split our sides. Imagine anything like that happening at home.

Please send me all your Christmas cards, or the fronts of them, especially those with Christmas pictures. If anyone else asks you what they can send me please tell them too. If you write on the outside: "Imprime" or "Printed Matter" the postage is much less and there is no duty to pay on this end.

Yesterday morning I started out with my Bible and pictures to go to one of the nearby villages where I have been wanting to go for a long time. As I walked along, greeting the women with their water-pots on their heads or a load of wood, I was surprised to hear one of them ask: "Ina za ku?"—"Where are you (plural form) going?" She may not have been a Hausa and so mixed up her tenses—but the Lord used this little incident to bring a fresh blessing to my heart for after all, were there not two of us? He has said: "I will never leave you nor forsake you" and "Lo, I am with you always."—The walk was long, the sun hot, and the sand deep. But what joy to be "walking with Him" bearing the precious Word of Life to these precious lost ones who are perishing without a saving knowledge of Him! Some of those who listened seemed interested others indifferent, others interested only in asking for my clothes but He has said His Word will not return void and our Saviour has said: "All that the Father giveth Me shall come to Me."

We have just received some wonderful news for Tsibiri. I think perhaps I wrote you how we were praying it would be possible for another married couple to come up here so that Mr and Mrs de la Hays could give themselves to the Bible School and the other couple could do the house work and trekking. It seemed really impos-

sible for we need missionaries on almost all of our stations but He has done the impossible and a young couple just finishing their language study at Mlangi, has been appointed to Tsibiri. From all the reports that we hear they are one of the finest couples on the field. We are rejoicing in this wonderful answer to prayer. I am not sure just what this will mean as far as I am concerned. It will probably mean I will be sent to another station eventually, although I do not know. Maradi and Dogan Douchi are especially in need of single workers at this time—but there is no house to put them in yet and we are praying about it. All this is in His hands—He knows all about it and I'm sure it is best to live just "a day at a time" for Him and let Him work out the future for His Word says: "His way is perfect—and He maketh my way perfect."

I am wondering if you will all be together at Christmas time—I do hope so. Our plans have been somewhat changed this year. We have decided to have no exchanging of gifts or a party on Christmas day but we will have that on New Year's Day instead and on Christmas Day we will have a special service and keep it for Him alone. Personally, I am very happy about this for I know in America Christmas has become a time only for Santa and presents and I'm sure it must grieve Him to see thousands of people rushing around on His day with not one thought of Him.—The same thing was beginning to happen out here too and our native Christians had been watching us celebrate and give presents and felt it was just a time for them to receive presents too. I'm sure this will be good for us all. I guess I told you I was sending you some little curios—Now I'm not sure whether you'll get them or not for I found out we can't send anything from French country without all kinds of Red Tape. Now I'm trying to have them sent from Nigeria if possible.

May you have a very blessed Christmas.

Much, much love in Him,
Rita
Address:
Miss Rita Salls
Sudan Interior Mission
Tsibiri par Maradi
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via Kano

UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Correspondent
Wayne Fuller of Bath spent last week with his aunt, Miss Eva Fuller.

Howard Douglass has a new truck.
Mr and Mrs Richard Williamson went to Bangor last week to get a new car. At this writing they have not returned.

T. A. Durkee had an ill turn Tuesday morning this week.

Church Services next Sunday are scheduled for 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Ethel French, who has been caring for Mrs. Bertha Judkins, has returned to her home in Norway. Her daughter and husband, Mr and Mrs Robert Frost came to take her home.

Mrs. Esther Williamson is now caring for Mrs. Bertha Judkins.

Mr and Mrs Sidney Abbott and daughter, Susan of East Sumner were Sunday guests of her parents Mr and Mrs C. A. Judkins. Mr Abbott returned home, but Mrs Abbott remained with her sister, Mrs Roland Bernier, for an indefinite period.

Town meeting was postponed from March 3 to March 5. Quite a crowd met on Wednesday and remained for Grange dinner.

Regular Grange meeting was held at the home of C. A. Judkins on Saturday evening, Mar 3.

Farm Bureau met at the home of Mrs. Lillian Hicks on Tuesday, March 4th with nine members present. Mrs. Gladys Angevine was the speaker. Subject—Care of House plants.

The School children gave their teacher, Mrs. Wendell Holt, a surprise birthday party at the school house Tuesday evening, Mar. 11. They presented her with several nice gifts. Refreshments were served.

MARKETING with Marjorie

Spring will soon be here... and one of the first signs is apt to be the falling off of appetites. Now, in Grandma's day that was the signal to dole out doses of sulphur and molasses! But today it's merely an added incentive to make meals tempting-looking and grand-tasting. So I hope today's suggestions will help you do just that.

STRETCHING EXERCISE FOR MEAT

To make one lb. of ground beef serve 6 people, combine it with 1 medium onion (chopped), 1 can of vegetable soup and 2 cups of

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SOME CRUST

Like cheese with your apple pie? Then use it as a top crust. And for rich, luscious flavor, use MEL-O-BIT AMERICAN CHEESE from the A&P. Just bake your pie minus the top crust, and 10 minutes before you take it from the oven, lay slices of MEL-O-BIT (about 1/4 thick) over the apples. Um, what a crust!

SHAMROCK SALAD

Come St. Patrick's Day, stuff green peppers with a forced cream cheese tinted green, fill 4 hours, cut in 1/2 slices and arrange in three like shamrock leaves, with strips of pepper for stems. Pretty as a colleen... and delicious with this dressing: Blend 1/2 tsp. mustard, 1/2 tsp. salt, dash of cayenne and 2 tbsps. sugar with 1 cup undiluted WHITE HOUSE MILK, add 1 tsp. vinegar gradually, stirring till thickened. Smooth. Of course—thanks to creamy rich WHITE HOUSE MILK from the A&P. Try it!

CAKE THAT TAKES THE CAKE

Do your cakes crack, lump or have too much flour. Be careful to measure accurately. Sift and spoon flour lightly into cup without packing down. Level cup with knife. For lighter, finer-textured cakes, be sure to use SUNNYFIELD CAKE FLOUR from the A&P.

EAST BETHEL

Mrs. Rodney Howe, Correspondent

Mrs. Earl Graves returned to Rockland last Thursday after visiting her sister, Mrs. Urban Bartlett and family for several days.

Deborah Farwell has accepted a teaching position in Caratunk. Malcolm Farwell and Mr and Mrs A. B. Farwell drove her there Sunday.

Nancy Haines is ill with a bad cold.

Mr and Mrs Donald Stanley and children, Dawn Lee and Warren of South Portland were week end guests of Mr and Mrs Rodney Howe and family.

Mrs Evelyn Harrington and Mrs. Charlie Smith were in Newry one day last week visiting Mrs. Haakon Olson.

Mr and Mrs Albion Smith were in South Paris Wednesday.

Dorothy Ann Bartlett is ill with asthma.

Mr and Mrs Wendell Edmunds and daughter, Sandra, of Norway were week end guests of Mrs. Evelyn Harrington.

Mrs. Irving Brooks is ill with a cold.

Mrs. Haakon Olson and daughter of Newry are visiting Mr and Mrs. Charlie Smith and family.

Mrs. Rodney Howe was ill last week with sinus trouble.

Mrs. Flora Kierstead died Monday morning at a nursing home in Auburn where she had been for several weeks.

East Bethel Primary School News
No one was late again this week. We went up to Lill's and made two snowmen. Harley Merrill took a picture of them.

We brought old clothes so we could wear them when we painted. We painted two tables and six chairs.

Two people were sick. They are Arlene Coolidge and Keith Bartlett.

Kenneth Emery was snowed in Monday and Tuesday.

Nancy and Peter Haines have new skis.

Porter Farwell has new pants. He said they cost an awful lot of money. They make him look grown up.

Four children found new calves in their barns last week.

SKILLINGTON

Mr and Mrs Charles Allen and four children were guests of Harvey Sweetser and family last week.

George Hammond is working for Newton-Tobias at West Bethel.

Alfred Barnett and family who have been living in Bangor Swain's house moved to Carthage Sunday.

Mark Wight of Berlin N. H. was at John Wight's one day last week.

Mr and Mrs Chester French of Norway were Sunday callers of A. H. Tift and family.

MIDDLE INTERVAL

Mrs. Augustus Carter, Correspondent

Corie Wermenchuk was an overnight guest of Joan Ward Thursday night.

L. C. Stevens is back driving the school bus.

Mr and Mrs Alfred Leighton and family of Albany were visitors at Curtis Winslow's, Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Richard Stevens and Mrs. Richard Carter attended the basketball game at Lewiston Saturday.

Tom Olson was a guest of Mr and Mrs Ronald Shephard over the week end.

Mr and Mrs Roger Foster attended a birthday party for Mrs. Robert Foster at the home of Mr and Mrs Stanley Roberts, Saturday evening.

Roger Foster went to Lewiston Saturday to the basketball game.

Mr and Mrs Willis Ward and family visited his sister at Conway N. H. Sunday.

LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Lee Mills, Correspondent

On Tuesday evening, March 12, a supper will be served at 6:30 at the Legion hall to the men in this vicinity. A meeting to organize a Men's Club will follow the supper with Rev. K. W. Hawthorne present.

Mrs. Lillian Blake is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Silas Kenniston at West Paris.

Mrs. Florence Hastings substituted for Mrs. Ruth Rigg in the intermediate room Monday.

The proceeds from the community Club dinner on March 3 amounted to \$29.15.

The Club served another dinner on Monday, March 10 at the town hall.

"Hester" Rowe of Mechanic Falls visited his mother, Mrs. Ida Rowe recently.

A daughter was born to Mr and Mrs Carl Bachebier on March 8 at the Bangor hospital.

Mr and Mrs Gordon Roberts and family visited her parents at Magalloway Sunday.

Wilfred and Constance Coolidge attended a basketball game at Lewiston Saturday afternoon.

Nancy and Jacqueline Saunders have been visiting relatives at Skillington.

Mrs. Geneva Johnston has been spending the past two weeks with her mother, Leslie Johnston and family.

Mrs. Sophie Conner of West Bethel spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs Walter Brown.

Mrs. A. H. Tift and son, Robert were in Norway Saturday.

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SOUTH ALBANY

Mr and Mrs Omar Giberson from Bingham were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs Roy Wardwell in the afternoon.

Mr and Mrs John Spinney were in Bethel on Sunday.

Arthur Wardwell was at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs Roy Wardwell Sunday.

Joseph Pechnik was in South Paris on Monday.

Leon Kimball and John Spinney have tapped their sap orchards.

On Monday evening, Mr and Mrs Roy Wardwell entertained Mr and Mrs Charles Blakeley (nee Rachel Hill) Mrs. Joan Hill from Beverly, Mass and Mr and Mrs John Spinney.

George Wentworth called at Leon Kimball's one day last week.

John Spinney carried Preston Flint to Bethel, shopping, Monday.

WEST GREENWOOD

Sunday callers at Mrs. Amy Bunker's were Mr and Mrs Frank Hunt, Mr and Mrs Hugh Stearns and Mr and Mrs Clayton Mills and family.

Mr and Mrs Hector Neault, Sr. and Mrs. Hector Neault Jr. and daughter of Biddeford and Henry Wallington of Somersworth N. H. were guests of Mr and Mrs Roland Neault Sunday.

Miss Blanche Neault who has been spending the winter with her brother, Roland Neault and family returned to Biddeford Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Z. W. Mills and Mrs. Amy Bunker were guests of Mr and Mrs Orest Mills at Bryants Pond Sunday.

Several have been ill with the prevailing epidemic.

GREENWOOD CITY

Mrs. Le-mae Holt spent the day with her cousin, Mrs. Earl Noyes at Bryant Pond.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Morgan and Mrs. Linnie Cole were in Bethel on Sunday.

Mrs. Roland Hayes and son Erwin were in Brunswick on Saturday.

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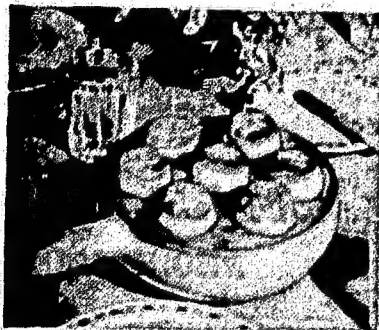
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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers

Let Children Entertain Their Young Friends At Home Suppers



When serving supper to a gang of teen-agers, prepare a casserole as illustrated here, and let the youngsters serve themselves. Complete the main course with a tossed salad.

If you're one of the many mothers worried about where your teen-aged children spend their recreation and leisure time, then start doing a little blunting that it would be nice occasionally to entertain their friends at home.

You can enlist the help of other mothers in the neighborhood and plan a series of suppers or evening snacks for the younger crowd, and in this way, have some idea of where the children spend their idle hours. Daughters, and sons, too, will be glad to cooperate with mother in "cooking up" something super special in the way of refreshments which should be simple but good to eat.

If you want to have a snack party for the youngsters, here's an easily planned and executed snack idea:

Salmon Salad Bread Box
Pickles and Olives Potato Chips
Dutch Apple Cake Ice Cream
Milk or Chocolate

The salad loaf can be made ahead of time and set in the refrigerator for chilling, then removed at serving time and sliced.

Salmon Salad Bread Box
(Serves 6 to 8)

1 tall can red salmon
1 tablespoon plain gelatin
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon salt
Dash of Worcestershire sauce
1/2 teaspoon grated onion
1/2 cup salad dressing

1 loaf (small) unsalted white bread
Drain salmon, remove skin and bones. Flake fish into small pieces. Soften gelatin in lemon juice and dissolve over hot water. Add seasonings and salad dressing; combine with salmon, mixing thoroughly. Trim crusts from bread, cut thick slice off top of loaf. Remove inside of loaf leaving a wall about 1/2 inch thick. Fill box with salmon mixture, replace top slice of bread, pressing it in gently. Chill thoroughly. When ready to serve spread top and sides with extra salad dressing and garnish with ripe or stuffed green olives. Serve in slices.

Another easy type of dinner to serve is an oven stew with a simple tossed salad. Both of these can be prepared ahead of time and finished up by the gang, if necessary. For dessert, serve something frozen because of the convenience of preparation.

Supper Idea, Oven Stew
Making Powder Biscuits
Tossed Vegetable Salad Melishes
Frozen Lemon Cream Milk
The stew is rich in vegetables and will be filling enough for hearty, youthful appetites if prepared as follows:

Oven Stew
(Serves 6)
1 pound beef or lamb, for stew
2 tablespoons butter or other fat
1/2 cup sliced onions
1/2 cup boiling water
1/2 cup sliced carrots
1/2 cup sliced turnips
1/2 cup sliced potatoes
2 teaspoons salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1/2 cup cooked peas
1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1/2 cup cold water
2 tablespoons flour
Brown beef or lamb in fat. Add onions and saute until golden brown; then add water. Turn into casserole, cover and cook in a moderate

LYNN SAYS:
Serve Fruit Offen
For a First Course

Give your appetites a new slant on dinner. Try serving fruits and fruit juices in delectable combinations.

Canned raspberries and seedless grape halves, marinated with a bit of orange juice are a grand combination.

Equal parts of orange sections and Tokyo grapes are guaranteed to whet the appetite.

LYNN CHAMBERS' MENU

Poached Eggs on Toast
Scalloped Spinach
Mashed Potatoes
Raw Carrot Strips Beverage
Chocolate Pudding with Cream

(350-degree) oven for 1 1/2 hours. Increase heat to hot (450 degrees). Add carrots, turnips, potatoes, salt and pepper and continue cooking covered for 20 minutes or until vegetables are nearly tender. Add peas and Worcestershire sauce. Add water gradually to flour, mixing to a smooth paste; pour into stew, stirring vigorously. Place biscuits on top of stew; turn into oven and bake 12 to 15 minutes longer or until biscuits are browned.

Dutch Apple Cake

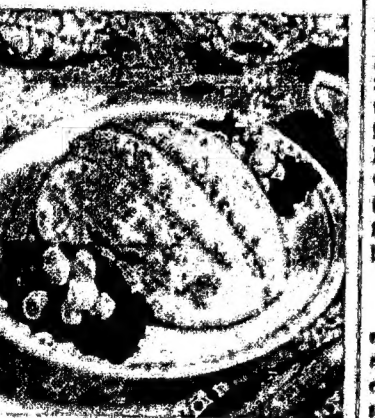
2 cups sifted flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup butter
1 egg
1/2 cup milk
1/2 cup sugar
5 apples, cut, pared
1 tablespoon cinnamon
1/2 cup currants

Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Work butter into flour mixture. Beat egg, add milk and stir into dry ingredients. Spread the dough in a well buttered biscuit pan. Spread apples on dough, pressing sharp edges of fruit into mixture. Sprinkle with currants, sugar and cinnamon which have been mixed together. Bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven for 30 to 40 minutes.

Making Powder Biscuits

(Makes 12)
2 cups sifted cake flour
2 teaspoons double acting baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
4 to 5 tablespoons shortening
1/2 cup milk

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt and sift again. Cut in shortening. Add milk and stir until soft dough is formed. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead 30 seconds. Roll 1/4 inch thick and cut with floured, 2-inch biscuit cutter. Use on top of stew. The remainder may be baked on an ungreased baking sheet in hot (450-degree) oven for 12 to 15 minutes.



Frozen lemon cream is the perfect dessert for a hearty main dish. This dessert may be made in the freezing tray or a mold.

Frozen Lemon Cream

(Serves 10)
1/2 cup finely crushed corn flakes
2 egg whites
6 tablespoons sugar
2 egg yolks
1/2 cup evaporated milk, thoroughly chilled and whipped
1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
2 tablespoons lemon juice

Thoroughly butter freezing tray of refrigerator and cover sides and bottom with cornflakes. Reserve some for top.
Beat egg whites stiff, but not dry. Add sugar gradually, beating constantly until thoroughly blended. Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon-colored; fold into egg white mixture. Then fold in evaporated milk, lemon rind and juice. Turn into freezing tray. Cover top with remaining corn flakes. Freeze until firm, using coldest freezing temperature. Freezing time: 4 hours. Unmold and cut in slices for serving. Or, pack in large melon mold, using equal parts of ice and salt (without stirring); let stand until firm (about 3 or 4 hours) pouring off salt water as it accumulates, before it reaches top of mold.
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Grape juice mixed with gingerale is guaranteed to whet faded appetites.

Avocado slices which are combined with grapefruit or orange sections may be served sprinkled with halved, seedless grapes.

For a rich new smoothness in ice cream, whip butter-ripe avocado with a rotary beater until fluffy. Then beat into ice cream, frozen to the mushy stage. Return to refrigerator and freeze until firm, stirring occasionally.

Kathleen Norris Says:

Just Like a Husband

Bell Syndicate—WNU Features.



"Carol squabbled with Monroe over dominoes and crosswords. I was delighted at this new friend's congeniality with my husband; it relieved the strain for me."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

SOMETIMES a husband does something that makes his wife wild, without giving her the satisfaction of either ignoring the matter or changing the situation. Such a husband, evidently, is Monroe White, whose wife, Edda, writes me from Buffalo.

"Monroe has a dear woman friend, that's the gist of the matter," writes Edda. "That sounds innocent enough, doesn't it? Nothing sinister, everything happily open and above board, but there it is. Carol is everything he needs in gay, sophisticated companionship; he sees her every day. Or he misses seeing her for a day or two he gets restless; last summer Carol went into the mountains for a month and three times in that month Monroe went up to see her on one pretext or another. Once he took me, and you may imagine what a lovely time I had.

"This Carol is about 30, I am 28. Monroe is 30, and we have been married 15 years. We have two daughters, Phyllis, 11, and Maryann, 9. Monroe is a cheerful, easily pleased man, not fussy about meals, very popular in business and club circles. He has always been a model husband as far as I know and a conscientious father. When my mother was with us, a long pull with three years of helplessness and illness, Monroe was generally itself. I think it was at that time that I began to hear a good deal of Monroe's dear old friend, Carol, widowed, and back in town. Carol often came to supper in those days, and squabbled with Monroe over dominoes and crosswords. Absorbed in my mother's tragedy, I was delighted at this new friend's congeniality with my husband; it relieved the strain for me.

Unconcealed, Unashamed.
"It went on. Nothing to conceal, evidently, nothing of which to be ashamed. Carol telephoned me every day or two to say that she saw a hat downtown that would be ideal for me, or that she is sending the girls books. Monroe says quite casually, 'I'll not be home for dinner, Carol is crazy to see that show and I'm taking her.' Or he says, 'The Masons have asked Carol and me up for the weekend. I told them we had measles at home and they said it was O.K. for you to beg off.'

"Sometimes he says that Carol is the most intellectual woman he ever knew. If I say that she is not particularly pretty or has rather a heavy figure, he says with amused authority that men and her perfectly fascinating. Once or twice he has said to his friends that he has a sensible wife; that Edda never makes any fuss about his platonic friendships with other women. He puts it in the plural. I put it in the singular.

"I am good-looking. I dress well, nothing sensational but quite up to the mark. What's the matter with me that my husband is perfectly content to let me cook, finish the ironing, drag him off for an occasional dinner—but that for companionship and pleasure he goes elsewhere?" And the letter finishes desperately: "Can a man and a woman have a platonic friendship, anyway?"

She thinks it's fair play. My answer to that, Edda, is "no." Not under these circum-

NOT SO PLATONIC

Platonic friendship rarely exists, declares Miss Norris, in answer to a perplexed wife. Edda White writes that her husband, Monroe, is good and dutiful in every way but one. He likes the company of a widow whom he has known for a long time. Their companionship isn't the ordinary sort of relationship. Edda believes that Monroe is faithful to her. He often says he is glad that she is so sensible that she "understands" his platonic friendship with Carol.

He takes Carol to dinners and plays. She often comes to the house. Sometimes she goes to a party in company with Monroe and Edda. Two or three times a week she calls up Edda and tells her about some bargain, or some other friendly message. She sends presents to the little girls. It is difficult for Edda to repulse these charming attentions.

Edda is getting annoyed and worried. This "friendship" between her husband and Carol is becoming embarrassing. It seems to be growing, instead of diminishing. Edda is asking Miss Norris what to do under these peculiarly trying circumstances.

stances, no. With Monroe at his age, Carol at hers, and your marriage at this point, this friendship is not platonic.

This is not to say that matters have proceeded to the point technically known as infidelity. More likely Carol is happy to play it along safely, having all the fun of a man's admiration and attention and companionship, but not sacrificing anything that would make her feel guilty of disloyalty to you. It is a fond illusion, with women of her type, that everything short of actual surrender to a love affair is fair play. She is holding Monroe all the tighter by her refusal to enter into a serious relationship with the husband of her friend. He probably deeply admires her strength of character and purity of motive. But in truth she is as low as any other woman who comes deliberately between a man and his wife and throws dust in his eyes while doing so.

My advice to you is to wake up and realize that this is disloyalty, sugarcoated over with the claim of being merely an intellectual and honest friendship. Such a thing rarely exists between a man and a woman, even when both are entirely free to marry; it certainly does not exist here.

You will win, in the end, if you can rise above all this. Keep busy, have as little to do with these high-minded friends as you can; don't discuss it with Monroe and don't see Carol at all. Ask her quietly not to telephone, don't argue, don't make scenes, just let them both know that you are perfectly aware of the fun they are having at your expense. The shock to Carol may stop the affair right there; Monroe will be shocked, too. But whether it takes only days or takes months, that's the way to end it, and the only way. Don't forget prayer.

SURGERY ENDS WORRY
Psychiatrists in Glasgow, Scotland, have made public details of a new brain operation to cure worry, anxiety and fear. Hospitals already have successfully handled hundreds of cases, they say.
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"Yes," he said, with little enthusiasm.
"You don't sound very enthusiastic about it," replied his friend.
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4. Ascorbic acid is better known as what?
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6. What is the estimated amount of tea consumed yearly by China?
7. In a play where does the epilogue come?
8. The Arc de Triomphe in Paris commemorates the victories of what ruler?
9. Cocaine is obtained from what shrub?
10. Why is hydrophobia so called?

The Answers

1. Two hours.
2. Wisconsin, in 1903.
3. Druids.
4. Vitamin C.
5. Matthew.
6. Eight million pounds.
7. At the end.
8. Napoleon.
9. The coca shrub (the leaves).
10. Hydrophobia means "fear of water," and the disease gets its name from the mistaken idea that a mad dog has a fear of water.

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By EDWARD EMERINE

Old Jim Bridger, at his lonely fort on Green river, talked to the leader of the strange band and learned these emigrants were headed for the Great American Desert beyond the mountains. He tried to dissuade the leader, a determined sort of man, and pessimistically remarked that he would give a thousand dollars if he ever saw an ear of corn grown in Salt Lake valley.

The emigrants moved on, and a hundred years ago, on July 24, 1847, Brigham Young looked out across a seared and desolate land of sagebrush and alkali, and said: "This is the place!"

One lone tree clung to life in the entire valley. Heat waves danced and hot breaths of air came up the canyon. If there were inward doubts among his followers, none is recorded. Obediently the band moved into the desert.

Mormon Convert.

Brigham Young was a native of Vermont and of Revolutionary ancestry. He had become a convert to the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints, the Mormon church. When Joseph Smith, the founder, was killed at Nauvoo, Ill., Brigham Young was chosen to take his place.

Rocks and hills and desert did not deter him. They were but the materials with which he would build. In this strange land he and other Mormons would be far removed from religious and political differences. Here they would have a land of their own.

A dreamer was Brigham Young, but he was a doer as well. Perhaps his eyes saw more than the mirages on the desert that day. He might have envisioned the Territory of Deseret, the beginning of an American epoch, the birth of a vast and productive region. The valleys and mountains that his people were to colonize later were before him, and there was a temple to be built, cities and towns to be laid out, industries to be developed, canals and ditches to be dug, and water to be spread over the thirsty soil.

Faith Saves Crops.

The Mormon leader likened the group to a swarm of bees beginning a new hive. The Beehive became their symbol, and all men were workers. The hardships of crossing the plains and mountains were as nothing compared to conquering the desert. There were discouraging days when hunger stalked. Huge locusts came to eat their crops. "Have faith! Have faith! Pray!" And they had faith, and they prayed. Out of the skies swarmed seagulls—thousands and thousands of them—and they devoured the locusts!

Brigham Young stated his wants and the group's needs, and builders set to work. The famed Mormon tabernacle was built without nails or steel.

Monumental Effort.

At the ground level of the Salt Lake Mormon temple are huge earth stones, each weighing three tons, and 50 in number. A mountain of



MORMON SHRINE . . . Notable among Salt Lake City's attractions is the Mormon temple. Last of the Latter Day Saints temples in Utah to be completed, the Salt Lake City edifice was begun in 1853 and not completed until 1893. The temple is built of granite, many of the larger blocks being carried by ox-teams before a railroad was built in 1873. Seen in silhouette to the left is the famous Mormon tabernacle, noted for its acoustics and organ.

Salt Lake and Flats Lure Tourists, Industries, Racers

There is no need to sink a shaft to find salt in Utah. It is mined on top of the ground where it lies many feet deep on the shores of Great Salt Lake and in famous Bonneville salt flats. Naturally the state is a large producer of both common salt and sodium products.

People who go to the beaches of Great Salt Lake find that they float like a cork in the water because of its saline content, which ranges from



granite 20 miles away furnished the material. Huge granite blocks were quarried in a canyon, slung with chains from heavy carts and drawn by oxen to the site. Over 40 years from the time Brigham Young designated the temple site, the construction was complete, the angel Moroni set in place and 75,000 people took part in the dedicatory services. But Brigham Young had been dead for many years.

The climate of Utah is dry, stimulating and wholesome. The sky is so clear that no cloud specks it on 300 days a year. Lacking rain, the Mormons pioneered irrigation in America, bringing water from the mountains to irrigate crops in the desert.

Today, Utah's chief crop is sugar beets, but vegetables and fruits are grown in profusion. Other crops are wheat, oats, potatoes, hay, alfalfa, corn, barley and rye.

More than two million sheep, 100,000 dairy cattle and a half million beef cattle are grazed in Utah. Wool production amounts to 20 million pounds annually.

Manufacturing in Utah began with the Mormon pioneers, who wove woolen clothing, mined coal, quarried rock, canned fruit and vegetables, made sugar from beets, installed grist mills, slaughtered cattle for meat, made butter and cheese, and utilized other raw products at hand. The great copper mines came later, with an elting and refining of ores to follow. Bingham, Magna, Tooele, Garfield and Provo became mill towns. The Geneva steel plant at Provo is the largest in the West, with a mountain of ore else beside it.



Utah scenery will compare with any in the world. Here are mountains as grand as the Alps, sunsets that rival those of Italy and Greece. Marvelous canyons, mammoth stone bridges, weird rock formations and other master works of nature are found throughout the state.

The mountain lakes and streams provide fine fishing and the forests abound in game—bear, elk, antelope, grouse, deer, prairie chickens and others.

Utah, once a formidable desert, now teems with populous cities and thriving villages. Once parched and burned ground has been changed to green fields, gardens and orchards. Paved highways, airlines and several transcontinental railroads provide transportation. What wonders a hundred years have wrought!

This year every city and hamlet in Utah is preparing a celebration. They will celebrate the centennial of the arrival of Mormon pioneers. Less than 75 per cent of the people are now Mormons, but all will join in that celebration regardless of creed. The building of Utah was the opening of the West. It was an epoch in American history.

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ACCORDING to Senator Byrd of Virginia, the bureaucrats are not growing less in number. They are just transferred from one bureau to another. What can we expect? If the boys and girls were let out they would have to work for a living, and then they would vote as they please.

When some of our returned soldiers talk about "dirty foreigners" they might note that out of a little more than 37 million dwellings in America more than 14 million have neither bath nor shower.



'ANTI-RED' LITERATURE A NEW FIELD FOR CON MEN

CON men sell more gold bricks, bronze lions, city halls and Brooklyn bridges to certain types of big business executives than ever were purchased by rural visitors to metropolitan centers.

Methods of the con men change as changing conditions offer new opportunities. Some years ago I knew the head of a fairly large business who was victimized into signing a contract for the employment of a business adviser, the trick was turned with a faded photograph showing James J. Hill and the con operator in a familiar pose, a fake that was so palpable any school boy should have recognized it for what it was. That faded photograph, coupled with a clever statement of what "Jim said to me, and what I said to Jim" secured the desired signature, and cost the man of wealth and position many thousands of dollars. The man who secured a high salaried job for which he had no qualifications did not know James J. Hill, had never talked to him, but in perpetrating a fake he did nothing illegal, nothing for which he could be jailed, or, because of which, that contract could be broken. That head of a big business was hooked.

Today the business man fears—a well warranted fear—the spread of so-called Communism, the nationalization of business, in this country. Each one knows his own ideas offers the solution for the danger. Those ideas apply the American economic system to himself, or his class or group. He knows how and why he benefits from the operation of the profit system. He is convinced that if all others could but know why and how they benefit, they would believe as he does, and the threat of Communism would be dead.

It creates a situation for the clever individual with a large vocabulary, who might, in the past, have been selling gold bricks or Brooklyn bridges. He interprets the ideas of the business executive, a group or class, into 10 words, and presents it in an attractively printed brochure. Those whose ideas that brochure expresses are solicited for liberal contributions to the cause of combating Communism in the United States. Many respond with large amounts.

For that contribution they receive a copy of that brochure which they can lay on their library table, and read to other business executive friends as expressing their ideas. In proportion to our 140 million population, the number of brochures printed and circulated is so small as to be entirely negligible, even if the content was of value in affecting the opinion of the masses who determine our form of government.

It is a clever gold brick scheme to secure the dollars of the men of wealth by catering to their personal vanity. Some types of business executives fall for it to the profit of the promoter.

If you and I, as representing the masses, were shown how and why the American economic system, our free enterprise, benefits us—and it does—and be shown by those in whom we have confidence, we would be so sold on that system there would be no opportunity for the siren voice of Communism to make an impression. The masses, you and I, are interested in the how and why of free enterprise as it affects ourselves. We want to be told in ten cent words how we enjoy the benefits of our American way of life, what it does for us. It is we, the masses, who will determine what the future in America will be. We each have as much voice in determining the course of government as has each executive, and there are a thousand of us to each one executive.

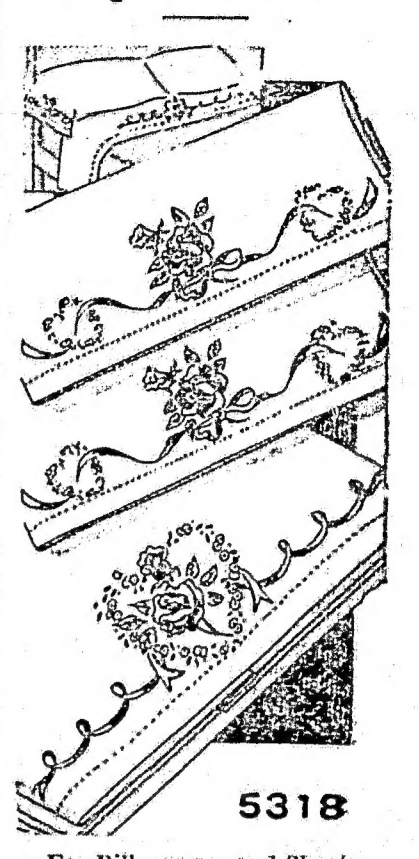
Should those business executives who are buying gold bricks spend their effort and money in showing us, the masses, the how and why of our benefits from free enterprise, they would be accomplishing something of real value to the nation and to themselves. Selling themselves that of which they are fully convinced accomplishes nothing for anyone other than the promoters.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. K. W. Hawthorne, Minister
Parish School 9:15 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Adult Class, 12:00 noon

A special Lenten Service for the Christian Youth of Bethel has been arranged for Thursday, March 20th at 7:40 in the Congregational Church. The Rev. Elwin L. Wilson, District Superintendent of the Methodist Church is to be the speaker.

Mr. Wilson is a speaker noted for his ability in addressing young people. He has been featured as the principal speaker at many youth gatherings and conference groups in this state and throughout New England.

A Sewing Meeting has been planned by the ladies club for Thursday, March 20th, Mrs. Rosecoe Andrews, president of the club announced this week. The meeting will be held in the president's home at 8 o'clock.

The children of the Parish have been very liberal in their support of the Milk Fund Drive. Five cents buys enough powdered milk for one glass. So far they have bought enough money to purchase about one hundred and twenty glasses.

METHODIST CHURCH
William Penner, Pastor
2:45 Church School. Miss Minnie Wilson, superintendent.

11:00 Morning Worship service. Sermon theme: "The Plur in Christianity." The Union Lenten Service next Thursday will be held in the Congregational Church. Rev. Elwin Wilson of Portland will be the guest speaker.

6:40 Youth Fellowship meeting at the Church. There will be an installation service for the newly elected officers.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
Sunday Services at 10:45 A. M. All are cordially invited to attend.

"Substance" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon that will be read in all Churches of Christ, Pentecost on Sunday, March 16.

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Rev. F. C. Lighthorn, Tel. 1029-31
8:00 A. M. Holy Eucharist—Columbian, the Rev. Oliver L. Loring, D. D. Bishop of Maine.

9:30 A. M. Sung Eucharist—address by the Bishop.
11:00 A. M. The Apostolic Rite of Confirmation and Sermon by the Bishop.

From Models To The Real Thing



DETROIT, MICH. — Winner of a \$2,000 university scholarship in the 1946 Fisher Body Craftsmen's Guild model car design competition, 18-year-old David Wayne Whitman of Jackson has elected to enter General Motors Institute to continue his education in the automotive design field. He alternates between class work at the Institute and working in the engineering laboratories in Detroit. Shown above he works on a full size working drawing of an auto body, the first step taken in the production of an auto body after the designer's brainchild leaves the drawing board.

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To Mrs. Pennythrift, the housewife, taking her change out of the crockery pot in the cupboard to exchange it for basic family needs, the fact that prices "down" represents a real "raise" in wages is well understood. With her the basic problem is: How far will the money go? When she has to take out less change to buy a loaf of bread or a bottle of milk, that's as good to her as a pay boost for her husband. And cause for jubilation.

The Mass Production Way Henry Ford II, whose grandfather practiced so well the mechanics of good economy and who dealt fairly and well with the mass output system, recently started what may become a trend in the automobile industry. In making the first postwar price reduction on cars, Mr. Ford actually gave the equivalent of a wage boost to all Americans who buy Fords, and if other car manufacturers follow, it will mean a boost to all who buy automobiles. And as mass production of automobiles comes to peak, still lower prices will surely follow.

While labor leaders thought this a step in the right direction, some of them quickly stated that "price cutting" would have no effect upon their plans for wage drives. Neither industry nor labor look forward to extensive price cutting, particularly without greater production, nor should either expect to gain from continued wage drives—without better production. The key to the wage-price balance is: more output.

Bigger Pie One manufacturer has advertised this balance thus: "If we want a bigger cut out of the income pie either as management or labor, the best way for all concerned is to bake a bigger pie." He continued, "You can't cut bigger pieces out of a smaller pie. You can't continue to raise wages, anywhere, out of shrinking production." That is right. In an industrial democracy like ours, we have a high standard of living largely because our production of goods has been brought into line with the lowest possible consumer prices. Volume production, every time, means greater value to the consumer at lower prices. It also means more to those who invested the capital that bought the tools. And it means more to labor that builds the product.

Keep a Balance These thoughts may explain why not all of labor has been willing to get behind the banner that "industry can afford a 25% general wage increase without raising prices." The American Federation of Labor has reported its findings that in 1946 an 18% wage increase brought increases in living costs of equal amount. The balance of wages and prices is just that close in our economic structure.

Now is the time for each American to understand, along with Mrs. Pennythrift the housewife, that all of us must cooperate in order to use these fundamental economic facts to the advantage of the whole nation. We cannot hope to maintain for long this free America which we love, unless we seek long range cooperation and understanding, rather than short-sighted group advantages which in the end are destructive to all.

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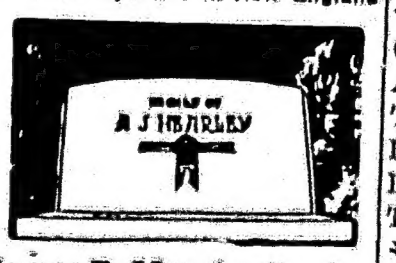
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